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Listing of Claims:

Claim 1: (Currently Amended) An entertainment system comprising:

a unit to-configured to transmit information and to receive information via a wireless connection; and a plurality of hand-held devices eapable configured toof simultaneously communicating communicate with said unit, wherein each apparatus hand-held device of the plurality of handheld devices comprises: a control unit configured to interact with an electronic programming guide (EPG) that is selectively programmed by one of said hand held devices, which wherein selective programming of said onea first hand-held device of the plurality of hand-held devices is then communicated to one or more of the other said hand-held devices of the plurality of hand-held devices.+ and an indicator to indicate an availability of an interactive function in a program corresponding to the EPG without providing an indication of the availability of the interactive function on a display configured to display the program corresponding to the EPG, the display being separate from the plurality of hand-held devices. Claim 2: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the indicator

Claim 2: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the indicator is displayed on a display of the apparatus first hand-held device.

Claim 3: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 2, wherein the display of the first hand-held device changes background colors to indicate the availability of the interactive function corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 4: (Currently Amended) The entertainment in system of claim 2, wherein the display of the first hand-held device flashes to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 5: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the apparatus first hand-held device is a personal digital assistant.

Claim 6: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the <u>first</u> hand-held device apparatus is a web phone.

Claim 7: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the indicator is a unit that generates configured to generate a sound to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 8: (Currently Amended) The entertainment system of claim 1, wherein the indicator is a section of the apparatus that configured to illuminates to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 9: (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

transmitting information and receiving information via a wireless connection simultaneously to and from a plurality of hand-held devices, the information interacting corresponding to interactions with an electronic programming guide (EPG) that is selectively programmed by one of said hand-held devices, which selective programming wherein the interactions with an EPG of said onea first hand-held device is then-communicated to one or more of the other said other hand-held devices of the plurality of hand-held devices; and

indicating an availability of an interactive function in a program corresponding to the

EPG simultaneously at saidat the first plurality of hand-held devices without indicating the availability of the interactive function on a display separate from the plurality of hand-held devices, the display configured to display the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 10: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes displaying an indicator on a display of the apparatus first hand-held device.

Claim 11: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes changing the one or more background colors of the display of the first hand-held device to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 12: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes the display of the first hand-held device flashing to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 13: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the apparatus-first handheld device is a personal digital assistant. Appln. No.: 09/875,707 Reply to Office Action of June 13, 2007

Claim 14: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the apparatus-first handheld device is a web phone.

Claim 15: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes generating a sound to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 16: (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes illuminating a section of the apparatus-first hand-held device to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 17: (Currently Amended) A machine readable medium having stored thereon a set of instructions, which when executed cause a system to perform a method comprising:

transmitting information and receiving information via a wireless connection simultaneously to and from a plurality of hand-held devices, the information interacting corresponding to interactions with an electronic programming guide (EPG), wherein an interaction of a first hand-held device of the plurality of hand-held device that is selectively programmed by one of said hand-held devices, which selectively programmed by one of said hand-held devices, which selective programming of said one hand-held device is then communicated to one or more of the other said-hand-held devices of the plurality of hand-held devices; and

indicating an availability of an interactive function in a program corresponding to the EPG simultaneously at said plurality of hand-held devices without indicating the availability of the interactive function at a display separate from the plurality of hand-held devices, the display configured to display the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 18: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes displaying an indicator on a display of the apparatus first hand-held device.

Claim 19: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 18, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes changing the one or more background colors of the display of the first hand-held deviceto indicate the availability of the interactive functionin the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 20: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 18, wherein the indicating the availability of the interactive function includes the display of the first hand-held device flashing to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 21: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein the apparatus-first hand-held device is a personal digital assistant. Appln. No.: 09/875,707

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Claim 22: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein the

apparatus-first hand-held device is a web phone.

Claim 23: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein the

indicating the availability of the interactive function includes a unit of the apparatus generating a

sound to indicate the availability of the interactive function in the program corresponding to the

EPG.

Claim 24: (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein the

indicating the availability of the interactive function includes illuminating a section of the

apparatus-first hand-held device illuminating to indicate the availability of the interactive

function in the program corresponding to the EPG.

Claim 25: (New) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein indicating the

availability of the interactive function is performed in response to the interactive function

becoming available.

Claim 26: (New) The machine readable medium of claim 17, wherein whether an indication

of the availability of the interactive function is provided to the display separate from the plurality

of hand-held devices is configurable through the first hand-held device.

Claim 27: (New) The method of claim 9, wherein the information corresponding to

interactions with an electronic programming guide (EPG) includes user comments.

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